

IEEE Registration Authority

OUI Registry Restructuring

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A complex network diagram with glowing blue nodes and lines, set against a dark blue background with a grid pattern. The nodes are connected by lines, forming a dense, interconnected structure that resembles a network or data flow.

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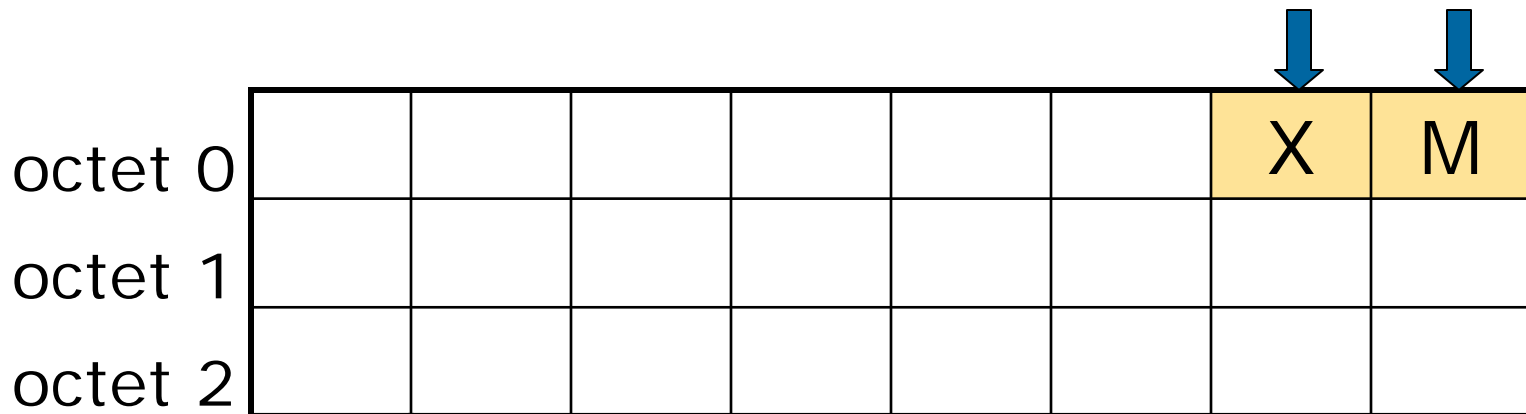
OUI Registry Restructuring

- draft-ieee-rac-oui-restructuring
- IETF 86 presentations
 - IETF Technical Plenary
 - Monday, 17:40, Carribean 3/4
 - OPSAREA
 - Tuesday, 13:00, Carribean 5
- Comments
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OUI (organizationally unique identifier)

- Defined by IEEE Std. 802
 - 3 octets in length (24 bits) , but address space is 22 bits. E.g., AC-DE-48

Application dependent bits



- Many derivative identifiers may be created (e.g., EUI-48, EUI-64, protocol identifier)
 - E.g., MAC address: AC-DE-48-00-00-01

Rationale for change

- RAC “Prime directive”
 - Do not run out of global MAC48 addresses for 100 years
 - ~250 billion EUI48 (of ~70 trillion possible) addresses have been assigned
- Volume
 - A few vendors are volume users
 - >32M MAC (EUI-48) addresses assigned per month
 - Most other vendors use far less
 - Smaller assignment blocks would reduce “lost” or “unused” addresses
- Virtualization
 - Usage of global MAC (EUI-48) addresses by software
 - Traditionally RAC limited vendors to only a few per hardware device
 - Reuse of global MAC (EUI-48) addresses per rack / cluster / data center
 - Guidance planned, even though this is not permitted

Proposal

- Maintain existing OUI & OUI-36 registries
- Create registries for EUI-48 sizes
 - 16M, 4M, 1M, 4K
- Disconnect addresses from Company identifier
 - Assign 24 bit Company identifiers without addresses
 - Assign these within the “local space” (with X bit set)
- Suggest VMs create addresses based on new Company identifiers in the “local space”
 - Resulting in reusable local addresses, with some organization

Proposed Restructured OUI-based Registries

Manufacturer ID	Registry	EUI48 (MAC address)
1 24-bit identifier	OUI	16777216
-	OUI26	4194304
-	OUI28	1048576
-	IAB	4096
1 36-bit identifier	OUI36	4096
1 24-bit identifier	CompanyID	-

merge 

IETF Community input requested

- Will this break anything?
 - Is there any repurposing of the 2 Application Dependent bits of the OUI?
 - Is there any embedded use in other protocols that would be impacted?
- Implementation planned for 2014
 - Comments requested by mid-2013

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